

lock of currency of thought than Lowell's, for he is quoted in Westm-

There has nothing alien to any soul. I heard him quoted by an Armenian poet as saying, "I am a man, and I have a soul with a scowl, and stung at campmeeting by the hills of New Hampshire."

"As I happen to know of the birth of the 'Longfellow' poems, let me divulge a few of their secrets. The 'Psalm of Life' came into existence on a bright summer morning, in July, 1838, in Cambridge, as I sat between two windows, at a table in the corner of my chamber. It came from his inmost heart, and he kept it unpublished for a long time. It expressed his own feelings at that time, when released from a deep affliction, and he had poured his own heart for many months. It was, I think, the first poem without any mystification in his mind. The 'Legend of St. Mary' was composed on the September 1st of the same year, on a very beautiful summer evening, exactly under the influence of the poem. The 'Wreck of the Rock' was written the night after a violent storm had occurred and as the poet sat

One of the best known of all of Emerson's short poems is "Excelsior." The poem happened to catch his eye one afternoon in 1841, on a turn of the road, and straightway his imagination was fired at it. Taking up a piece of paper and a pencil, he wrote the poem, and it happened to be the back of a letter received from Charles Sumner, he or some other "Excelsior" differs from the prefaced and published version, but it shows a true and a worthy of his, author. The story of "Excelsior" was first suggested to Hawthorne by Emerson, who wished him to form a romance

STINGY MEN.

"I shall never forget those good old days of apprenticeship as a messenger boy for Horace Greeley, of the *Tribune*," said Mr. Polman, the theatrical manager, as he stood on the center table of the opera house, and tilted back his head. "That was when I struggled along on four dollars per week, and received for perquisites the crabbed damnation of the theatrical men. Good times were, though, when as a little cub I had the pleasure of such society as Cornelius Vanderbilt, Cyrus Field, and the other big fish of the Vanderbilt was the stingiest man, I think I ever met. One day I was travelling over me. On Third avenue car. The other commodore got aboard, and took a seat next me. 'Look here, youngster,' said he,

week," I replied, thinking the millwright was going to employ me at an advanced salary. "H'm; that's a good deal," he rejoined. "I should think you would be able to honor to work for him for one day. Field was pretty near as strong as I am to-day. I had an autograph book the other day, after I got well acquainted with Cyrus, I asked him if he would give me a signature. 'What do you want with that autograph?' he said. 'I suppose you would like to put my name down on this piece of paper, and then you can make out an order for me for money.' I assured him that my intent had not occurred to me, and, as he had imparted him for some time, I wrote his name in one corner, and every thing could be written about it, and even if he wrote it so fine that you could not read it without a microscope."

TYNDALL'S OPINION OF DARWIN

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theory, but with the express intent
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with a soberness and thoroughness
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POST OFFICE CHANGES

In Kansas during the week ending
2, 1892, furnished by Wm. Van V
the Postoffice Department.

DISCONTINUED.

Alfalfa, Norton county.
Hourglass, Cheyenne county.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.

Beaver, Smith county, David W.
Belle Springs, Dickinson county, N

Lovett, Osborne county, Ella B. J.
 Lusk, Leavenworth county, James
 McGee
 Edmond, Norton county, Daniel J.
 Fox Creek, Chase county, Al
 Fletcher.
 Georgetown, Ottawa county, Geo
 Carbaugh.
 Huron, Atchison county, William D.
 Fenia, Jewell county, Herman Cos
 Jarbala, Leavenworth county, Itha
 Smiley.
 Lancaster, Atchison county, John S.
 Pleasant Ridge, Leavenworth county
 Mary E. Bugbee.
 Roscoe, Graham county, B. Van Sly
 Howard, Republic county, William
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one dollar bills, laid *side deep*, or cover
five-dollar bills, and spread one-doll
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in only two places in this country in 1
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Kansas produced about 500 pounds,
other State more than 250 pounds.